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1. The monitoring station was a radio facility which belonged to the Rumanian Post Office. It was considered a secret installation, had an unlisted telephone number, but until the last date of observation, 1952, was guarded only by one watch dog. the chief of the station, Vintila GOLUMBOVICI was demoted from this post in 1952 after contracting tuberculosis. the function of this station was to monitor all civilian radio communications, such as SOVROMTRANSPORT, the TARS civilian airline, and radio "ham" broadcasts, as well as to assure that all civilian radio stations adhered to the various regulations set up by the Rumanian Post Office. The station was originally organized in 1949 by GOLUMBOVICI and his immediate supervisor, an engineer named Ilie STAN who was also chief of the Rumanian Post Office Radio Communications Section. The station employed three or four radio operators.

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The Post Office had been using wire

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transmissions between Bucharest and Urziceni which were frequently damaged during the winter months. GOLUMBOVICI hoped his transmitter would alleviate this situation and that his project would be accepted by the Post Office. Due to illness in 1952, the project was abandoned.

3. In 1951 or 1952 [redacted] in the monitoring station's office, a Rumanian-made direction finder, (see Annex B) which GOLUMBOVICI was testing [redacted] The direction finder, built by the Vestiorul Plant, was a portable model, intended for installation in sedan-type vehicles and which would possibly be used by the Securitate to detect clandestine radio stations. The set had eight tubes which included the following: 1T4, 1S4, and 1R5. It operated on dry cell batteries mounted inside the case which measured 40x25 - 30x30 cm. The loop antenna consisted of a hollow metal tube, one centimeter wide with the core filled with wires. The loop did not rotate but the entire set, mounted on a turntable, had to be manually rotated when in operation. [redacted] the direction finder [redacted] was clumsy and [redacted] the dial selector button was difficult to operate.

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Annex A - [redacted] Bucharest
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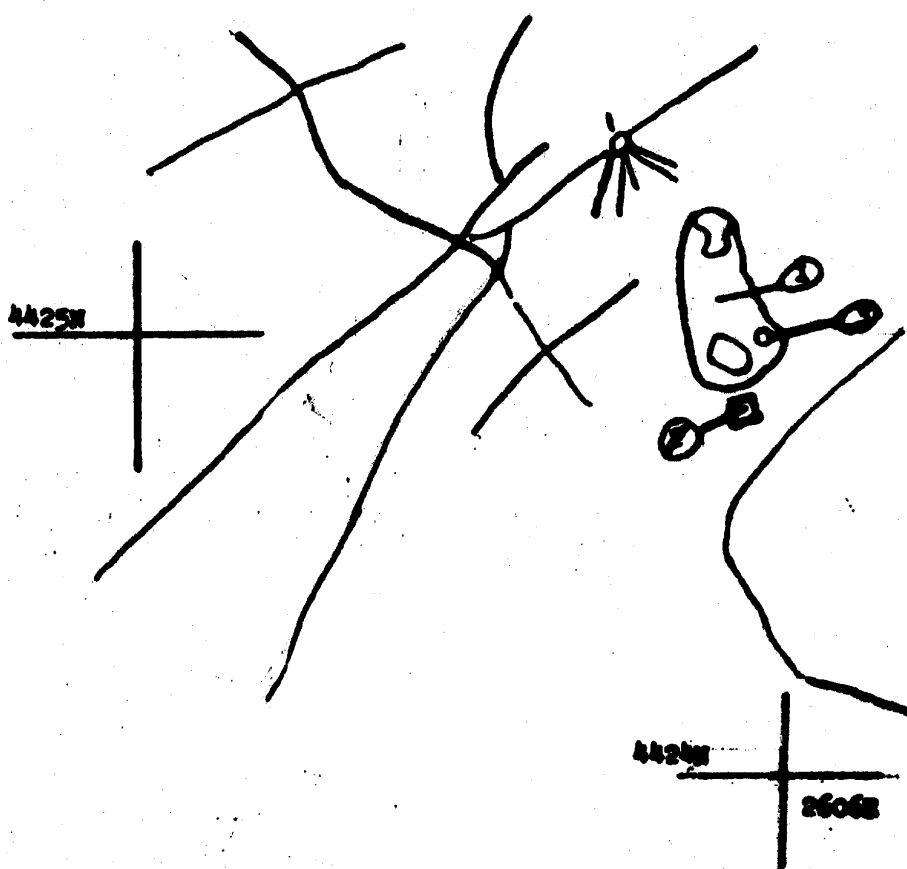
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Annex A

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Legend to Annex A

1. Parcul Carol, a park located in the southwest section of Bucharest.
2. Grave of the Unknown Soldier located in the southern part of park. It overlooked a man-made pond to the north.
3. The Post Office Radio Monitoring Station was located in the east side of Parcul Carol inside the northeast tower of an old and small fortress known in Rumanian as "Turnul lui Tepes (The tower of Vlad Tepes). The stone masonry tower was 10 to 15 m. high with a diameter of approximately five meters. The Radio Electric Control Center (Centrul de Control Radio Electric) used two small rooms at the top of the tower. Between 1949 and 1952 [] following permanent radio equipment in this room: 25X1
 - a. One [] radio receiver which operated on bands between one and ten meters. 25X1
 - b. One [] model 100x (possibly 101x) receiver. 25X1
 - c. One [] HRO receiver [] 25X1
 - d. One [] receiver, model unknown. 25X1
 - e. Two [] frequency meters.

There were four pole masts arranged in a square pattern from which the antennas were strung. The pole nearest the tower had a direction finding antenna on top which consisted of three, five-meter long, horizontal dipoles. This direction finding antenna was used for the 10-meter band and rotated manually from inside the tower by means of a wire and pulley attached to it.

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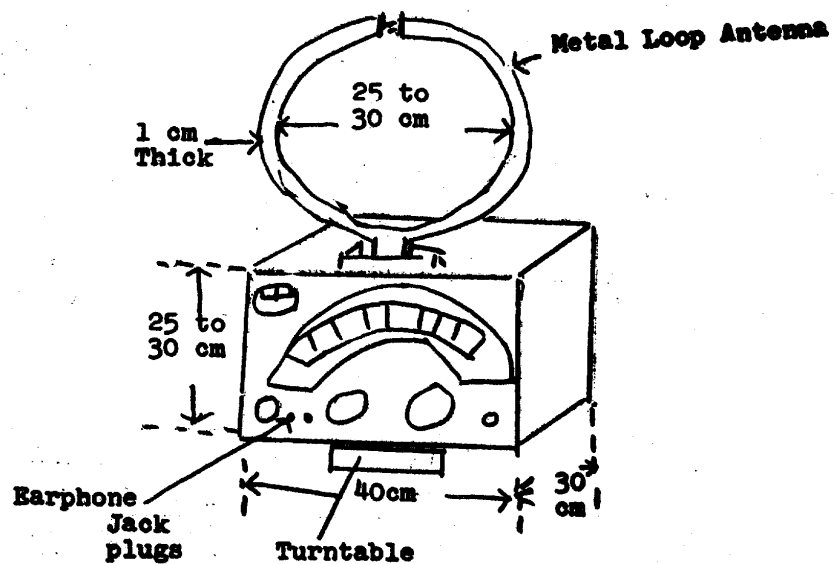
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Annex B

Rumanian-Made Direction Finder



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Annex C

Personalities:

1. Vintila GOLUMBOVICI [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] Employed by the Rumanian Post
Office since 1936 [redacted]

[redacted]

2. Ilie STAN, [redacted]

Subject was chief of the Rumanian
Post Office Radio Communications Section. He was demoted and became chief
of a Post Office garage in 1952 for unknown reasons. In 1942, Subject had
been head of a glider school.

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